

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

It seems pretty plain and simple folks, either we can be focused on the needs of the few to increase their profits or we can focus on the needs of the many to have reliable access to information and maybe some hope of being able to join the cable industry as a small business. I would rather have hundreds of thousands of small cable companies providing less service but more focused on their local community than a few large companies who have *NO* interest in the needs of local viewers.

Thank you.